[*English*]

Funds for Provision of Drinking Water to Towns and Cities

6598. SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have allocated funds to the State Governments for providing drinking water supply and under-ground drainage facilities in towns and cities; and

(b) if so, the amount allocated to Karnataka for the year 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir. However, a provision of Rs. 3 crores was released during 1990-91 and Rs. 3.5 crores during 1991-92 to the HUDCO for extending Central assistance to the urban local bodies in the State Govts./UTs for drinking water supply schemes in urban towns having population of less than 5 lakhs (1981 census). The Central grant through HUDCO is projected and is limited to 5% of the project cost or Rs. 25 lakhs whichever is less.

(b) No amount has been earmarked for Karnataka as the funds are not allocated State-wise. However, as per the information furnished by the State Govt., the Ministry of Defence has given the following loans to the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the Cauvery Water Supply Scheme III stage:-

1990	Rs. 300 lakhs
1991	Rs. 400 lakhs
1992	Rs. 300 lakhs

[*Translation*]

Houses Allotted to Widows by DDA

6599. SHRI SURENDRA PAL PATHAK; Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of widows registered by Delhi Development Authority under the Scheme for alloting houses to widows of 35 years of age or below:-

(b) the number of such widows allotted houses under this scheme; and

(c) the time by which the Government propose to allot houses to all such registered widows?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) As reported by Delhi Development Authrority no registration scheme for widows has been floated by the DDA.

(b) and (c). Do not arise in view of (a) above.

[*English*]

Price rise by Small Scale Drug Units

6600. SHRI HARIN PATHAK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been invited to the news item appearing in Economic Times' dated December 26, 1991 regarding price rise by small drug units;

(b) whether the small scale drug units are exempted from Drug Price Control Order, 1986;